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MAC Members Exhibit Par Excellence

Marion Art Center

By Marilou Newell

You'd have to travel pretty darn far to find an art exhibit of the caliber now on display at the Marion Art Center. There are 99, yes, 99 pieces of visual art in this Members Show, including one located in the window of the historic Marion General Store. Don't worry that your brain will be on visual overload, but you may find yourself wonder-struck.

It cannot be overstated that the scope of excellence demonstrated by these artists, their masterful use of technique, style, materials and skill, is thrilling to behold. Again, you would have to take a day trip out of the area to match this show in any way.

Given that we are on the coast, there are, of course, classic waterfront and ocean scenes, boats at rest or under sail, marshlands, fish, waves, water and sun. But these pieces have been executed by masters of water and oil paints and even metal, as witnessed in the piece titled Funky Fish by Jill Law (acrylic, metal leaf and resin.) This work shimmers as if we are viewing the fish in a pool with a luminous quality that catches the eye.

In the classics category, if one dares to classify such glorious pieces, are those by Robert Duff, one titled Brilliant, the other Charles W. Morgan Coming Home. Duff is a master of all things nautical, a highly respected painter here in our patch and far yonder parts as well. His website notes that he studied the Hudson River School technique and has been titled as a "modern day luminist" with a 19th century sensitivity.

Jane Egan's Old Fishing Boats and Salva, Mary Cosme's Brandt Island, Jaye Degnan Tirimacco's Vineyard Sound and Eastham, Peter Stone's Rising Tide and Distant Fog, Sarah Brown's The Reef and Following Wave – each with its unique and unmistakable eloquence delights the eye and spirit of the viewer.

Brown's works demonstrate that the impossible job of working with pastels is, in fact, possible. And

speaking of pastels in the second-floor gallery, look for Bunny Mogilnicki's Making Waves and Silver Shore, and while back on the first floor as you make your second pass through this gem of an art gallery, look for Nicole St. Pierre Untitled pastel and Charlene Mackiewicz's Broadmarsh Sunset and Pocksha Pond Cove.

Former art teacher and longtime MAC member Alice Shire has two offerings on the gallery wall. Giverny #3 and What Used to Be are two must-see pieces of watercolor talent and technique which, along with Helen Johnson's watercolor simply titled Stuff and The River (watercolor and ink) display years of honing and overcoming the difficulties of working with the fluidity of watercolor paints. And look for Janet Smith-Flaherty's watercolor offerings, Clouds, Sea, Beach and Sailboat, Sea, Beach. These artists, along with the others working in watercolors, have tamed water for art's sake.

In the arena of materials that many believe are a bit difficult to use is oil pastel, but in the hands of Susan Gilmore, have produced colorfully bold, landscape scenes. Likely some of the most colorful pieces in the show, the

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On the Cover: The harvest moon rising over Strawberry Point in Mattapoissett is a reminder that the days have become shorter, the children are back in school, football games and marching bands are making signature sounds and the summer is suddenly on short notice. Photo courtesy of Faith Ball

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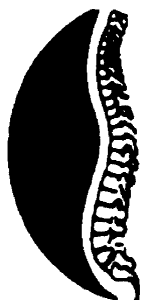
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vibrance draws the viewer's eye towards the colors for closer inspection of Gilmore's pieces titled *My Backyard* and *Nobska Light*.

We would like to give you a narrative on all 99 works of art. What we have shared is simply intended to whet your appetite to go and see this show before it closes on Friday, September 16. And make sure to pause a moment or two at Deborah Macy's *The Bronze Fairy* (oil and gold leaf on board) whose frame adds to the tone of the painting.

Here are the rest of the artists whose works we marveled over: Judy Carver (watercolor), Judith Klein (acrylic and charcoal on canvas), Peggy Call-Conley (watercolor), Ashley Briggs (acrylic on canvas), Mary Jane McCoy (acrylic), Michael Peitragalla (marble wood), Butch McCarthy (acrylic), John Wiliszowski (giclee of digital image), June Strunk (watercolor), Patricia Gray (acrylic), Kate Butler (watercolor), Marianne deVaux (monotype), Meg Hartley (acrylic), Sarah Calder (digital painting on canvas), David Maloney (acrylic on board), Carol Bliven (oil), Sharlie Sudduth (oil and watercolor), Nini Evans (acrylic), Abigail Brice, (acrylic and oil), Patricia White (ink and watercolor), Peggy Call-Conley (watercolor), Barbara Healy (oil and watercolor), Anne Higgins (acrylic), Jessica Harris (mixed media), Christy Gunnels (oil on panel), Lynette Torres (mixed media), Heide Hallemier (transparent watercolor), Nat Simkins (water and graphite), Adrian Tio (monoprint), Heather Long-Roise (acrylic), Diana Parsons (watercolor and acrylic), Anne T. Converse (photography), Alanna Nelson (wool, cotton and plastic bags), John Magnan (wood), Michelle Lapointe (acrylic and stained glass), Peggy Totten (pastel), Elwin Williamson (color photography), Janet Cromer (watercolor), Donna Gagnon (acrylic), Thomas Geagan (watercolor), Emma Rose Zhou (acrylic and paint markers on wood), Noelle Keach (acrylic), and John Kurgan (acrylic.)

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apparent today. The presentation will be given by Rachel Vorsanger, the Collection and Research manager of the Betty Parsons and William P. Rayner Foundation. To learn more about Parsons, visit bettyparsons.org. For more MAC shows and events, visit marionartcenter.org.

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Mattapoisett Council on Aging

By Marilou Newell

On September 10, the Mattapoisett Council on Aging held a grand lawn party in celebration of the COA's 50-year anniversary. The weather was a perfect combination of late-summer warmth and refreshing sea breezes, as visitors learned about the extensive programs and services available to seniors and their caregivers.

On hand to celebrate the occasion was former Town Administrator Mike Botelho, who spoke to the need for senior services, while current Town Administrator Mike Lorencio (latest of three consecutive Mike's to serve as town administrator – Gagne being the second) began

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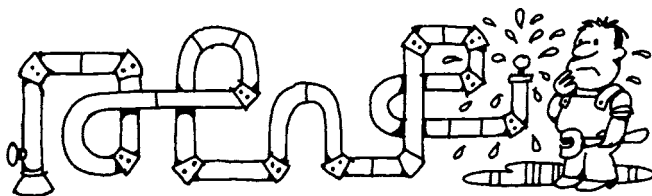
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his comments pointing out that he wasn't even born when the COA was chartered in 1972.

"I struggled to figure out exactly what I would say," Lorenzo began with a smile. "I thought about preparing a grandiose speech that highlighted some of the important moments over the last 50 years ... I realized ... such a speech would be hard for me because I am not even 50 years old!"

What Lorenzo did point out is something he does thoroughly understand: numbers. For many cities and towns, the growing senior populations are a reality impacting revenue and service needs.

"The future of Mattapoisett is very much reliant on where our senior population steers the ship," said Lorenzo, who then laid out the following statistics. In 2000, Mattapoisett's senior population stood at 22 percent of the whole; by 2019, that number jumped to 38 percent. Over that 19-year period, the median age of the community went from 42.5 years of age to 53.4, and of all households in the town, nearly 43 percent had at least one member over age 65.

Lorenzo said a quarter of all households in Mattapoisett are single-person households, and of those, nearly half are occupied by seniors. "A huge chunk of the town's tax base," is from the senior sector, he pointed out.

The diversity of lifestyles and service needs is expanding, Lorenzo stated, making it necessary for the administration to build effective programming and,

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
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possibly even more significant, turn to seniors as a "community resource."

Lorenco beseeched Saturday's audience to help look for ways to reshape the town's physical assets, including participating in public meetings and hearings that may possibly impact the concept of school consolidation. He said the UMass Boston Collins Center study is one way seniors can help the town.

"Whether or not you agree with such a move is not important ... I believe that it is of the utmost importance that this group, a group that represents nearly 40 percent of the town's population, get involved in that study." He said there would be online surveys and public meetings. "Stand up, speak up, and don't be afraid to help steer the ship."

Since 2011, Jackie Seney has been executive director of the Mattapoisett COA. Under her guidance and that of the COA Board of Directors, services and programs have expanded. Significantly in demand are movement classes that give seniors a variety of opportunities to exercise regardless of their fitness level. Walking, yoga, barre and Zumba are just a few of the classes that seniors may enjoy.

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Social isolation is an area of special importance, Seney stated. Making sure seniors are reached right where they are in their homes can make all the difference in a person's day. Seniors may also enter outreach programs such as the friendly visitor connection. Seniors wishing to receive a call to talk about issues on their mind or just to hear someone say, "How are you today?" can participate

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Community COA's help one another. Seney explained that while the Mattapoisett COA might not have a specific program a senior might need, she can help identify another community that may and help that senior with transportation to out-of-town meetings. She said that at first widows had to travel out of town for support groups. Seney was able to bring that kind of compassionate programming to Mattapoisett.

Aiding seniors through social opportunities and other activities are the Friends of the Mattapoisett COA. This group is committed to providing support, especially if a senior is experiencing special needs not covered by other agencies or groups by helping the senior with finding a resolution. Three festive luncheons are held for the benefit of all seniors in the community, providing a free, fun social occasion. These are held during the Christmas holiday, springtime and early fall seasons. For more information, contact the COA.

In a follow-up, Seney said the coming two to five years will find the COA providing more programs for people facing memory problems and those facing housing insecurity. Visit Mattapoisett.net for the COA web page or call 508-758-4110.

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The 2022-23 school year has kicked off in the Tri-Towns, with a few new faces among educational staff. After Mattapoisett Schools Principal Rose Bowman retired this year, there was the question of how best to replace her.

Bowman had presided over Center School while working in coalition with Kevin Tavares, then assistant principal at Old Hammondton. Rather than continue the dual structure, it was decided that Tavares would be promoted to principal at Old Hammondton and a new hire would be brought on as principal of Center School.

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Dr. Ashley started her career as a teacher in New Jersey and worked additionally as a principal and curriculum director in a variety of schools before making her way to Mattapoisett. She earned her educational degrees in none other than Massachusetts itself with

a Master of Education in moderate special needs from Lesley College (now Lesley University) and a Doctorate of Education in educational leadership from Northeastern University.

"Right out of the gate Dr. Ashley has shown her ability to lead with sharp focus and high expertise," Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Michael Nelson stated. "It is clear that her years of experience serve her well as she navigates today's educational landscape. I feel confident that each school day she will continue to settle into her role as the Principal of Center School and build on the strong foundation that is in place."

Dr. Ashley herself said she was "honored and delighted" to be a part of the Tri-Town educational family. "I am excited to get to know each Center School community member and build strong partnerships as we set goals for the future and begin our important work together."

When asked what priorities she had for her first year as principal, she mentioned her goals of cohesiveness, making sure that the students, staff and families were all on the same page. She noted that it is important to make sure everyone is heard, respected and included in order to make sure Center School is an environment primed for thriving and growth.

In addition to Dr. Ashley, Shari Fedorowicz has been brought on as the new assistant superintendent of Teaching and Learning, replacing Jannell Pearson-Campbell. Having started her career as a scientist studying marine mammals, Fedorowicz brought her love of marine biology into the classroom as a science teacher, obtaining a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in education administration from Bridgewater State University and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Lesley University.

"As the Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, my goal is to develop strong, working relationships with educators, staff and the community to work as a team to excel and grow the districts for the benefit of the students. I am proud to be working with such passionate educators and the community," said Dr.

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Her work as a scientist has taken her far afield from the Tri-Town area, including places like Oregon, Hawaii and Texas, as well as research in Costa Rica and Australia.

"It brings in that kind of global perspective and experience," she observed, something she feels helps her in her role as an educator and administrator.

"The most important part of what I do is making a difference for kids," said Dr. Fedorowicz. "One of the biggest things is building relationships with people, building relationships not only with people in the district like other administrators, principals (and) teachers but also the community (and) the school committee ... because it's really a team of people."

Nelson agreed with the sentiment, expressing enthusiasm for Dr. Fedorowicz's addition to the team.

"I am truly excited about the direction Dr. Fedorowicz will lead our schools in relation to teaching and learning," said Nelson. "Our schools have such strong teachers and support staff that I know Dr. Fedorowicz will enjoy working side by side with them as we meet the educational needs of our students."

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Marion Wells Rounding into Shape

Marion Select Board

By Mick Colageo

Even with September's rain, water remains a serious subject, and the Marion Select Board was eager to hear from Meghan Davis of the Department of Public Works during the board's September 7 public meeting at the Police Station.

The news was positive, as Davis' well rehabilitation project update yielded benchmark information.

The Mary's Pond Wellfield is in its final stages of completion. Only minor roof repairs and rough spots on the interior of the aluminum railing remain. The new well pumps will be installed when the new chemical-feed building is ready for start-up.

The chemical-feed building, which is linked to the East and West wells, is midway through construction with an early-November completion target. Once the chemical-feed building is complete, said Davis, three wells will be up and running. The anticipated timeline for that is January, "pending any major difficulties," according to Davis. "We haven't had any so far."

The Mary's Pond wellfield permitted volume is 280,000 gallons per day. East and West wells are permitted at 280,000 and 230,000 respectively. Marion's total permitted withdrawal is 740,000 gallons per day.

"Once all our wells come online, it will produce the majority of our water," said Town Administrator Jay McGrail. "We'll be utilizing (Mattapoisett River Valley Water District supply) much less, which will help financially."

A manufacturing problem with pumps resulted in an order for new pumps that as of the board's September 7 meeting had arrived but had yet to be installed. Davis clarified for Select Board Chairman Randy Parker that the DPW is waiting to install the replacement pumps so as not to prematurely enact their warranty period. Marion is not liable for what went wrong with the prior delivery.

Davis, who represents Marion to the MRV, told the Select Board that this summer, Marion has "backed off" from its intake from the MRV Water Supply District



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from 180-200 gallons per minute to 155 gallons per minute. Meantime, Davis explained, Marion is now relying more on the Perry Hills wells for its water. When Marion's three wells come online, the DPW will again consider reducing its intake from the MRV. (The MRV serves Fairhaven, Mattapoissett, Marion and to a lesser extent, Rochester.)

"We've seen an overall reduction in pumping (in 2022 relative to 2021)," said Davis, who attributed people's postpandemic return to workplaces as a key factor. Select Board member Norm Hills asked if the drought had run the consumption up. Davis said Marion's water restrictions "helped out quite a bit."

Benson Brook water tower has maintained its capacity. Parker confirmed that the tower is billed directly by the MRV.

"I think the long-term strategy, once we have Mary's Pond, East/West, all of the well fields and MRV up and running ... we don't rely on one in particular - they all balance each other out so we don't burn out any of the usage," said McGrail, citing prior discussion with Davis.

"I scratch my head and wonder how bad off we were before we started all these projects," said Parker.

"All we had was the MRV that's it," said McGrail, noting an emergency connection with water-rich Wareham was being pursued at that time. "Once we get all our well fields up and running and everything going, really MRV's our emergency connection."

Regarding the drought, Marion issued water restrictions from June 15 to September 15. If tanks drop below a certain level, then another restriction would be required per the state Department of Environmental Protection, but Davis said levels are nowhere near such a trigger.

Faced with the option of letting annual mandatory water restrictions expire on September 15 or extend them to the board's October 7 public meeting, the Select Board voted to wait and reevaluate the situation on October 7. McGrail said the restrictions have not resulted in complaints.

Davis said the Point Road water tower is out of commission, but Mill Street (Route 6), Great Hill and

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Benson Brook towers are all at proper levels. The Point Road water tower was taken offline due to roof damage. The aging tank is under consideration for rehabilitation or permanent decommissioning. Parker requested a report from Davis on the status of the Point Road water tower evaluation.

In his Town Administrator's Report, McGrail told the Select Board that the town has officially hired Saltonstall Architects to design the new DPW operations center. McGrail said it was a competitive selection process and that Will Saltonstall will offer design options.

The Building Committee, meantime, will soon conduct site visits of wood, rod-iron and steel and Morton constructions. Visits to the Kittansett Club maintenance facility and the Rochester DPW will be on the tour. The Building Committee will meet again later this month.

McGrail also shared positive news on the solar project at the Benson Brook landfill. The Eversource interconnection is complete, and the connection to the grid has been approved.

Construction will cost more than what the bid proposal estimated, so the additional cost will lower lease payments from \$140,000 to \$100,000 per year. The financial lease cost remains under evaluation. Next steps will see McGrail meet with CVEC and contractor General Electric, and in November, he will present amendments to the agreement for the Select Board's review.

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Health will be conducted in joint session with the Board of Health (Dr. John Howard and Dr. Ed Hoffer) during the Select Board's next meeting on September 27. Alvin Johnson, Mary Nelson and Tina McMichael are up for consideration for the spot vacated earlier this summer by Dot Brown. A joint vote is planned for October 4.

McGrail is working with Marion Police Chief Richard Nighelli and Sippican School on planning a stronger police presence at the town's public elementary school. A proposal will be presented to the Marion School Committee at its September 14 public meeting.

McGrail shared positive reports on three activities fronts: a successful Town Party last month at Silvershell Beach (McGrail publicly thanked Donna Hemphill and

the rest of the volunteers); the opening of the Sippican Elementary School playground (McGrail credited ORR Facilities Director Gene Jones) and an immensely successful U.S. Senior Amateur golf championship held August 25 to September 1 at the Kittansett Club.

Marion is also looking at installing four pickleball courts on the site of the tennis courts no longer in use at the Point Road playground. McGrail is working with Recreation Director Scott Tavares on an application for funding to be made to the Community Preservation Committee.

Fire Chief Brian Jackvony and Police Chief Richard Nighelli appeared in an appointment to introduce the new Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): Nicole Barros, Donna Hemphill, W. Dale Jones, Douglas Katz, Margaret Malkoski, Vin Malkoski, Lawrence Robert, Lauren Roberts and Helen Westergard. Absent were: Eileen Molloy, Maria Rowley and Jeannie Sheets.

FEMA training led to all volunteers on the team passing a final exam, setting up a graduation. Marion has recently gone to the national CERT concept that allows participation from community members of different backgrounds and skillsets. Nighelli publicly thanked EMT/MMA graduate Jack Mills and Marion Police Department Administrative Specialist Lauren Roberts.

Under Action Items, the Select Board voted to approve several proposals including authorizing DPW Director Nathaniel Munafo to act on the town's behalf for the MassDEP DWSRF Lead Service Line (LSL) Inventories loan application. MassDEP will fund the inventory program of \$20,000,000 in 100 percent refundable loans. Marion must submit its inventory to the state by October 16, 2024. McGrail said the town does not believe there are any lead water lines in Marion but is required by the state to conduct the inventory.

Also on the list: a two-week, motor-home permit for Sheila Mitchell at 507 Delano Road; the declaration of September 10 as National Suicide Prevention Day and September as National Suicide Prevention Month in Plymouth County; a Memorandum of Understanding outlining the Sippican Historical Society's donation of a new HVAC system for the Music Hall and McGrail



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thanked the Historical Society for its benevolence.

Several events were approved, including the Marion Art Center's request for street closures for its annual Halloween parade on Monday, October 31, from 4:00 pm to conclusion; a one-day liquor license to the Marion Social Club, 44 Pumping Station Road for its Ham & Bean Supper scheduled for October 15 from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm and street closures from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm for the annual Christmas Stroll on Sunday, December 11. Parker thanked Eiv Strand and his team for "keeping this going."

The board also voted to approve the following appointments: Matt Shultz to full membership with the Conservation Commission (Marc Bellanger has resigned), alternate member Wendy Bidstrup to full voting membership with the Cultural Council and several other applications and recommendations to boards and committees. The board also approved McGrail's revisions to the town's Memorial Policy.

The board voted to approve a \$612.12 water/sewer credit (final readings August 8), along with water/sewer commitments of \$612.12 (August 9), \$520.55 (August 9) and \$546.46 (August 18) and an agreement with a private homeowner at 50 Oakdale Avenue to build a water main to town standards and to be turned over to the town at completion.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, at 5:00 pm at the Police Station.

Ressie Asks for Assistance

Mattapoisett Select Board

By Marilou Newell

Members of the Reservation Golf Club, a private club located along Mattapoisett Harbor, came before



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the Mattapoisett Select Board on Tuesday to air ongoing concerns with respect to cyclists using Reservation Road as an access point to the recently opened connector between Mattapoisett Neck Road and Reservation Road.

The main spokesperson for the golf club board members in attendance was Paul Coutinho. He began by stating that the bike path is a good thing for the community and that he fully supports it. However, issues arising from a lack of parking at the intersection of Reservation Road and the bike path, which presently terminates at that point led the club's board to seek assistance.

It was noted by Select Board Chairman Tyler Macallister that until work is completed on the span

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across the barrier beach at Goodspeed Island, people would probably use Reservation Road. An increase in both motor vehicles using Reservation Road and cyclists heading to and from Route 6 forced the club to ask, "Can we close the gate?"

The possibility of closing the gates located at the bike-path intersection with Reservation Road was quickly shot down by both the board members and Police Chief Jason King. They said that emergency access is necessary and that the gate was installed to restrict entrance to the bike path during specific situations that warrant closure.

Reservation Road is a public road open to all forms of public use, be it walking, cycling or driving, Select Board Chairman Tyler Macallister stated, but he echoed his concerns over public safety including someone being hit by a golf ball. He said people using the road are responsible for their own safety.

Coutinho said, "I didn't know how many people liked bicycling." He said the bike path is drawing people from other communities, people who may not understand bike-path protocol. "They don't know how the town was set up."

Coutinho requested more signs that would clearly indicate that Reservation Road is not an access point for the bike path and that parking at the beach is private (for club members only.) He also stated, "We want to protect our territory." Regarding the parking at the end of Reservation Road, Coutinho said that was private for club members only but that many others are parking there.

Macallister said he didn't know what the answers were for resolving issues arising from a lack of parking and the long-delayed opening of the bike path along Goodspeed Island, but that it is important for the town and the club to reach a consensus. "We'll do our best to help you guys," he said.

It was left that through the winter, ongoing communication between the town and the golf club would be beneficial in resolving some of the concerns raised.

Charles McIntyre came before the board to discuss his proposal to hold a Peace Vigil in memory of those who have lost their lives to gun violence. While

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complete details are in the early planning stages, the board encouraged McIntyre to work with the library and the safety officer for further guidance. McIntyre foresees a group of concerned citizens marching from the library to the town wharves at dusk holding luminaries.

The board, along with Town Administrator Mike Lorencio, briefly discussed the Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board's recommendations regarding repair work on Long Wharf. The MAB had unanimously voted to advance the construction concept that would employ primarily concrete versus stone. Lorencio speculated that this option, one of several offered by the engineering group Childs Engineering, could cost \$8,000,000 versus stone at double or more. The board will continue to study the plans awaiting Childs' report on a hybrid solution employing concrete and stone.

Lorencio reported that a RFQ for the retired fire station is pending and that a federal grant sought to fund Phase 2a of the bike path failed to meet the criteria. He said other federal grant monies would be sought for the Long Wharf repairs.

Continuing on the theme of grants, Lorencio said that the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District would be seeking a Community Preservation Act grant for the purchase of land to further protect the aquifer. What amount will be sought is pending.

It's shellfish season. Macallister announced that on October 15, the inner and outer harbor areas will be



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open to recreational permit holders for scallops; also, the outer harbor will be open to commercial fishermen. On November 1, both inner and outer harbor locations will be open to commercial fishermen.

There had been some discussion of moving the Select Board meetings from Tuesdays to Mondays, including asking the Conservation Commission if its members would be willing to swap days. Although the commission was willing, the board did not reach a consensus. Thus, the Select Board will continue to meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, at 6:30 pm.

Centralized 'Arch' Driveway Conditioned

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester Planning Board Tuesday night approved the waivers required for the owners of the "Arch at the Meadow" performance and event venue to change their layout.

Owners Glenn L. Lawrence and Laurie Whitney-Lawrence wish simply to move their driveway to their home lot, instead of its current location, in order to straddle the business and home lots.

But even that required the Planning panel to waive the need to address four town regulations in order for the Lawrences to move forward with their proposal: stormwater-protection regulations, the bylaw section on landscaping regulations and the rules for parking and lighting.

Before motioning to approve the section on parking, Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson said a condition needs to be included that will ensure the petitioner will return to the board if ever he or she plans to pave any surface there.

Before motioning endorsement of the lighting section waiver, Johnson said further lighting plans would also have to come before the board for approval. He then noted the project's final draft approval would be ready for the board's next meeting on September 27.

The Planning Board also endorsed the Buzzards Bay Coalition's progress on its project on Marion Road. The panel approved the Notice of Work permit to clear street trees there as part of the coalition's Scenic Roadway permit application, after the coalition representative reported the agency had both removed and replanted trees there.

The Planning Board recently complained that around two years ago, the coalition had cut trees on 55 acres that it owned on Marion Road without allowing the board to review the project details. What has been done since on the property now owned by Elliot Farms, LLC is an improvement, board member Michael Murphy admitted at the time. "But documentation to us is still needed," he said.



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Next, the board voted to conduct a site visit of the Clearway Energy Corporation solar project at 453 Rounseville Road because of construction-work progress. They will meet at the site on Tuesday, October 4, at 4:30 pm.

The next meeting of the Rochester Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, at 7:00 pm at Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School library and by Zoom.

Heron Cove Decision due September 29

Marion Zoning Board of Appeals

By Mick Colageo

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals and Town Counsel Jon Witten engaged developer Ken Steen and his attorney Mark Bobrowski on September 8 in a continued public hearing for the Heron Cove project.

The discussion that ensued at the Police Station was dominated by questions of procedure and the application of conditioning to a draft decision that Witten says he can have ready for the next ZBA meeting.

Bobrowski said he was expecting to see a draft decision on September 8, but Witten said the ZBA had not yet finished deliberating conditions of approval.

The conclusion was to continue the public hearing one more time and push off the September 22 regular date for the next ZBA meeting and hold it on September 29, when it is anticipated from all sides that Witten will have written into a draft decision the conditions ZBA members want to see.

Steen's 120-unit, affordable-housing development planned off Route 6 near the Wareham town line is a Local Initiative Program (LIP) 670CMR negotiated with and approved by the Marion Select Board.

ZBA Chairperson Cynthia Callow opened the continued public hearing by reading a letter from Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail indicating that the latest list of 27 waiver requests made by the applicant Heron Cove LLC fits into the same scope as those that were negotiated by the Select Board over the course of a year before the current LIP application came to the ZBA.

McGrail's letter also stressed that neither the Select Board nor the town administration wished to inhibit in any way the vetting process of the ZBA, and he thanked the board's members for all their hard work on the case. A decision would be required 40 days out from the closure of the public hearing.

Bobrowski then requested that the ZBA keep the public hearing open and said he would agree to an extension as it becomes necessary.

Callow and ZBA members Will Tift and Dr. Ed Hoffer agreed they would vote to approve the project with conditions.

"The Select Board did not delve into the details. They left it to the ZBA, and I think that is a good use of your time," said Witten.



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Callow proposed an outline dividing conditions into preconstruction, during and after construction. Hoffer said he found the landscaping consultant's comments most useful, and Tifft said clarity in landscaping was something he wants to see in the decision.

Steen told the board he would submit some signage ideas and compared them to low-profile signs currently on Route 6.

Witten recommended the board not seek to position itself to issue a second approval. The board, he said, can delegate the approval of conditions (signage, for instance) to Marion Building commissioner Bob Grillo but should not seek "a second bite at the apple."

Steen agreed to submit a new set of plans, and

Witten said he could write a new decision taking into account proposed conditions. Bobrowski will have an opportunity to review the conditions and comment before the public hearing is closed.

Grillo said there was much in the way of worthwhile content in the 2012 list of conditions. Grillo told Witten he wanted to make sure it's spelled out very clearly who is responsible for what, including inspections of the roads and culverts, for example.

"I feel I'm probably going to be the point man, not that I'm doing those inspections, but I just want to make sure that when those inspections are done they're documented, they're logged in and they're in a central location because it doesn't seem to be that that was the case (with Marion Village Estates, a prior Steen project)," said Grillo.

Witten had said that Grillo is not to be thrust into a role of judging anything subjective. In response to Grillo's concern and Callow's interest in getting such a process on the record, Witten said he would make sure that request is written into his decision draft.

Steen's representative, Phil Cordeiro of Allen & Major Associates, said that writing signage into the updated site plan was the lone remaining change, and Steen indicated belief that the site plan would be updated at least one week in advance of the ZBA's next meeting.

Grillo reminded the applicant that online permitting is now in action in Marion, making the application accessible to multiple departments.

At the start of the September 8 meeting, the ZBA held a moment of silence for Queen Elizabeth II, who passed away on the afternoon of the meeting.

The next meeting of the Marion ZBA is scheduled for Thursday, September 29, at 6:30 pm.

Multiple RDA's Approved

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

The September 12 meeting agenda of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission included seven Requests for Determination of Applicability. This type of application, as described by Mass.gov, "is a process that



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helps an applicant find out if the Wetlands Protection Act applies to a site or proposed activity is in a wetland area." A Negative determination by the commission recognizes that little or no impact to protected resource areas are anticipated by a project as presented to the commission.

In contrast to RDA's are Notice of Intent filings. NOI, as described on Mass.gov, "requires an application to the local Conservation Commission and MassDEP. The Notice of Intent application provides the Conservation Commission and MassDEP with a complete and accurate description of the site, including the type and boundaries of resource areas under the Wetlands Protection Act and proposed work, including all measures and designs proposed to meet the performance standards described in the Wetlands Protection Act Regulations, 310 CMR10.00 for each applicable resource area."

RDA's that received Negative determinations on this night were filed by: Natalie and Howard Richards, 4 Sagamore Road for the construction of a 8x16-foot garden shed in a flood zone; Steven and Joy Warren, 8 Briar Road for the construction of a 9x10-foot addition; Lewis and Jennifer Prouty, 48 Ned's Point Road for the construction of a 16x31.2-foot addition; Frank and Barbara Resnek, 8 Ned's Point Road for a small addition and patio expansion and Gail DiRusso, 66 Shore Drive for the installation of a new septic system with a denitrification secondary treatment chamber.

Two RDA's were continued until September 26.

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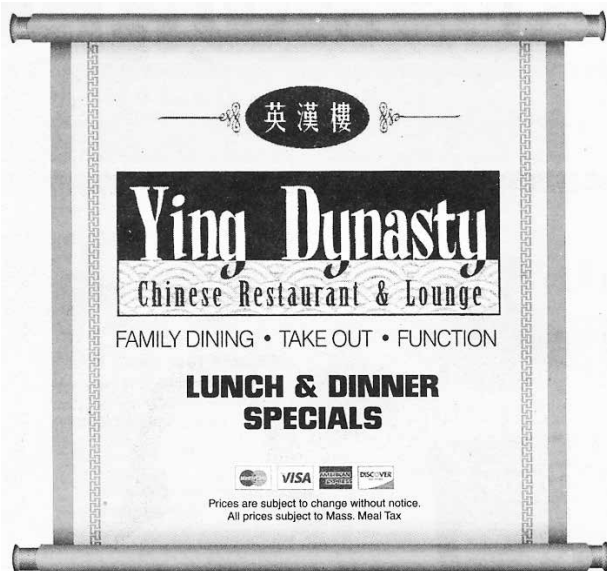


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Jim Barnes, 69 Mattapoisset Neck Road for the installation of an irrigation well was not heard, given that neither the applicant nor a representative was present to explain details the commissions were seeking.

Also continued until September 26 was Stephen Cook's RDA filing for the confirmation of wetlands delineations at 0 North Road in order to give engineer David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon & Leone Inc. time for further soil studies.

Two NOI filings received conditioning, one received from Jordan Medeiros, Park Place, was represented by Davignon and received conditioning for the construction of a single-family home with associated drainage and utilities, and the other conditioned NOI was



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filed by Waugaman Family Trust, 109 Brandt Island Road for the development of a residential house lot. The filing was represented by Davignon.

Two Certificates of Compliance were issued to Jennifer Prouty, 74 County Road, and Gail DiRusso, 66 Shore Drive. Two other requests for Certificates of Compliance were continued until the site becomes 75-percent stabilized. Those requests were filed by Farland Corporation for 22 Nantucket Drive and 5 Martha's Vineyard Drive.

An Emergency Certification was granted to the Mattapoisett Boatyard in the wake of the widely documented fire that took place on August 19.

The commissioners also discussed a request from

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the Select Board to switch meeting days from Monday to Tuesday so that the Select Board could meet on Monday nights instead of Tuesdays. The commissioners agreed. The scheduling swap will most likely begin sometime in October.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, September 26, at 6:30 pm.

Problem Properties Slow to Comply

Marion Board of Health

By Mick Colageo

The owner of property at 28 Pitcher Street sent a letter to Marion Health Director Lori Desmarais summarizing repairs and improved conditions, but acting Health Agent Bob Ethier told the Marion Board of Health during its September 8 public meeting at the Police Station that the project has fallen three weeks off the prescribed pace.

Ethier reported to board members Dr. John Howard and Dr. Ed Hoffer that the letter declared that the roof of the house has been patched, is weather-tight and has been covered to prevent wildlife from gaining entry.

The letter further stated that temporary repairs to the eaves were expected to be completed within a day and that permanent repairs would be made once it is officially determined that the house is free and impervious to pests.

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property on September 12, and the owner said in his letter that the town would be provided with a receipt for those services along with before-and-after photos. Landscaping, the letter stated, was not progressing at the prescribed pace but could, once the pest removal is complete.

Nonetheless, Ethier visited the address and reported a lack of progress. He said the proposed remediation schedule was off by three weeks as of the board's September 8 meeting, and he recommended the owner be ordered to appear before the Board of Health.

"Based on his past, we're not getting anywhere," said Ethier. "When people come before the board, there's a different response." The board authorized Ethier to order the owner to appear at the board's next meeting on

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Ethier said it was more of the same at 33 Pitcher Street, where vehicles are still on the property, and the yard has not been cleaned up. Ethier told the owner's attorney that the situation is at the point where fines will be imposed. "She wants to build a house, and you've got to at least clean up what you've got first," summarized Ethier.

"We've been more than patient," said Hoffer.

Howard suggested sending a certified letter to the owner's attorney ordering an appearance. Ethier said the attorney seems as frustrated as the town is. "I told him we can't keep doing this," said Ethier.


The couple that inherited the property at 278



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Converse Road told Ethier they want to build a new house and asked if they can wait on the septic situation until those plans are enacted. Ethier said the Town of Marion requested but has not received evidence of a contract between the owner and a company to pump out the cesspool. The owner, said Ethier, was reportedly told that the company told the owner there has never been any danger of sewerage overflowing.

Ethier said that the animal hoarding case at 464 Front Street seems to be resolved for the most part, but gaining access to confirm conditions has been elusive. The owner has granted access to other officials with whom Ethier visits but not to him.

"I need to get in the house; I need to make sure the property is getting cleaned up. ... I don't need anybody to go with us," he said. "It's like a police matter in some ways."

Getting information has become difficult in the case of 1121 Point Road, where Ethier will need to seek foreclosure attorneys at Wareham District Court.

The noncompliance issue at Little Neck Village area inside the dumpster is clean and locked.

A denitrification septic system in the yard at 570 Front Street has been grown over and is not being used or maintained, according to Ethier. Sewer, he learned, is available to the owner.

In her Public Health Director Update, Public Health Nurse Lori Desmarais told the board that there



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were 15 COVID-19 cases in August, and by September 8, there had been 12 cases reported this month. Both Sippican School and Tabor Academy require symptomatic testing this school year, but Sippican is seeking permission to test in school and thusly limited to a test-at-home program for now.

Tabor Academy held a flu-vaccine clinic on September 4 that distributed 148 shots.

Marion will hold its flu vaccination clinic on Thursday, September 29, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Cushing Community Center. A tent canopy for the drive-through is expected to go up at the site by the end of this week.

Desmarais said she would be working the Marion



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clinic with EMS personnel and has reached out to UMass Dartmouth. "It looks like they'll have some students to help us out also," said Desmarais.

A smaller clinic has been scheduled for Thursday, October 6, in the community room at Little Neck Village.

Given the discovery of a mosquito carrying the EEE virus, Desmarais said Marion's health risk has increased from low to moderate.

Interviews for a new Board of Health member will be conducted in joint session with the Select Board at the latter's next regularly scheduled public meeting on Tuesday, September 27, at 5:00 pm. Alvin Johnson, Mary Nelson and Tina McMichael have applied to serve the duration of the term vacated this year by Dot Brown and

will be interviewed. A joint vote of the Select Board and the Board of Health is planned for October 4.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, at 4:00 pm.

Inspection Services Going Regional

Rochester Board of Health

By Mick Colageo

In her Health Director's update during the September 7 Rochester Board of Health meeting, Karen Walega told the membership that the Town of Rochester would participate in a Capacity Assessment funded by a state Public Health Excellence Grant.

The end game for this survey and assessment being orchestrated by the state Department of Public Health is a voluntary regionalization of inspection services.

"It's going to take a long time. I was hoping to have someone to help with inspections," said Walega. "The towns that want to sign on, the state wants to get everyone evenly disbursed ... not every town is the same. We should all be the same."

The Tri-Towns and Acushnet have all signed on for what would be a state-sponsored program for administration and inspection assistance. Once implemented, the program would put tablets into the hands of Board of Health members and board administrator Lori Walsh so they can access up-to-date information.



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The move makes sense for towns like Marion and Rochester. Walega is preparing Rochester for her retirement, while Marion is without a full-time health agent.

The DPH increased the funding and went before the state legislature. Several retired health agents will review a bidding process and make recommendations. Westport is the grant administrator. Dartmouth opted out.

"This is the new wave ... all the old health agents are burnt out," said Walega.

Rochester is on the verge of implementing an online permitting and routing system. Board of Health Chairman David Sousa welcomed the idea, noting how his own business was affected by an inaccurate order number in a job he had done for the Town of Acushnet.

Walsh's increasing responsibility led to discussion, a recommendation from Walega and a vote that will result in an increase in her pay. The matter was to next go to town Finance Director Suzanne Szyndlar and the Finance Committee.

Like most of Massachusetts, Rochester has been in "critical drought" mode, and the state Drought Declaration acknowledging the risk of wetland wildland fires increasing has caused discussion about wells in town and recommendations. Rockland recently had a fire that went on for three weeks.

Walega recommended minimizing water use including residences relying on private wells. "We're all drawing from the same aquifer," she said. The up-to-date situation is posted on the town website, townofrochester.com.

Last week, the Town of Marion announced that a mosquito carrying the EEE virus was found at the end of August. By September 7, three EEE cases had been reported in Suffolk County.

The board received a visit from Megan daCosta, the Tobacco Control coordinator for New Bedford. daCosta started in her position this summer, having worked prior to in Fall River. The UMass Dartmouth graduate is currently in her master's degree program in Public Health at UMass Amherst.

The town told daCosta it would furnish her with Rochester's public-health regulations, which are 10 years old; daCosta said almost every town's regulations are out of date. She will bring the latest information in order to update the town's regulations to the state level and "anything we can do to make Rochester better." daCosta serves six area towns and the City of New Bedford.

Walega provided updates on several properties of concern.

Upon hearing about 122 Pine Street, Sousa said the property "doesn't look as bad (as it had) ... it's a mess, but it's a lot better than it was." Walega said things at the address are moving in the right direction.

Mrs. Butts' property at 515 Rounseville Road has seen changes, as a young lady living in a trailer at the address was reportedly moving out, and the Fire

Department had been to the site to address a safety issue. The Building Commissioner was reportedly working with a family member regarding worsening conditions in the yard. Walega said that Town Counsel Blair Bailey was on the case.

An odor complaint at Lloyd's market yielded news that the dumpster has been changed and the proprietor is working to rectify the problem. "The guy's trying, what are you going to do when you're having a summer like this?" said Sousa, noting that the owner had bought the same chemical used by SEMASS and applies it twice a week. "That helped. I think he's trying," said Sousa.

The septic system at Seasons Corner market has failed, and the owner was last known to be waiting on a contractor to replace the system.

The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Health is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, at 4:00 pm at Town Hall.

Schools Gain Seat in Consolidation Talks

Mattapoisett School Committee

By Mick Colageo

While the Mattapoisett School Committee was eager during Monday night's public meeting to share in the same positivity pervading the Old Rochester Regional School District at large, the potential consolidation of school building lurks as the UMass Boston Collins Center

carries out its study.

Committee Chairperson Carly Lavin and ORR Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson met with Collins Center representatives on September 8 in what was called an "initial project-oversight team meeting." Nelson said school-side stakeholders achieved agreements on communications, data sources and impact and also agreed to meet regularly, the next meeting scheduled for October 6.

The next steps will include site visits in September and October with town-side and school side representatives. It is anticipated that the Collins Center will finalize its report in April 2023.

"It's a very aggressive timeline," said Lavin, who at the same time was pleased with Nelson's summary. The school district is pushing for two opportunities for the school committee's participation, one in the evening and one during the day.

Later in the meeting while giving her first Chairperson's Report, Lavin told the committee she appreciates the participation of Town Administrator Mike Lorenzo and also Chuck McCullough, who filled in for Select Board Chairman Tyler Macallister.

While many messages indicate district-wide teachers and administrators are happy to be back in school, ORR Director of Student Services Craig Davidson said that for many, school never closed.

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Jean M. (Iannone) Cerulli, the beloved matriarch of the Cerulli family, passed away on Friday, September 2, 2022.

Jean, or "Nonna" to her family, was born on March 28, 1937 in Isernia, Italy, daughter of the late Liberato and Angelina (Avicolli) Iannone. The town of about 20,000 people, located in the Molise region of central Italy, is where Jean survived the Allied bombing of her home, an attack meant to drive out German forces during World War II.

Jean was 10-years-old when she made her journey across the Atlantic Ocean, and arrived in Boston. She excelled in school, and after graduating, became the administrative assistant to one of the vice presidents of Westinghouse Corporation in Boston.

That's where she met the love of her life, Joseph Cerulli, who she would go on to marry in 1959.

The Cerulli's moved to Winthrop, Massachusetts after they wed, where they started a family that would eventually include five children. Jean and the rest of her family moved to Dartmouth in 1972.

The 1970s and early 1980s were busy years in Jean's life, as her day-to-day quickly filled up with overseeing the education and activities of five children, running a busy household and being involved in the Dartmouth School Music Association. She was also a contributing writer to *The Standard-Times* and the *Dartmouth Chronicle*. Jean was a communicant of Saint Julie Billiart Parish in Dartmouth, where she sang in the choir for many years as lead soprano.

Fast forward to 1985, and find Jean with her family beginning what would turn into a 20-year career running Cerulli's Gourmet Foods and Cafe in Mattapoisett. Her extraordinary skills as a great home chef, combined with her Italian roots, proved to be the perfect recipe for success. The Cerulli's Gourmet Foods and Cafe store became an adored destination on the Southcoast, where customers felt more like they were walking into the home of a relative, than just another restaurant. Some have described leaving the gourmet shop with not only full stomachs, but full hearts too.

Jean's ever-present guiding force throughout her life was her faith in God. She was a cherished communicant of Saint Francis Xavier Church in Acushnet and a devoted supporter of the Missionaries of Charity in New Bedford. Mother Teresa, who blessed Jean during her 1995 visit to New Bedford, was a guiding light in her spiritual life.

After retirement, Jean enjoyed traveling, music, crocheting and most of all, spending time with her ever-growing family. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren - her "baby dolls" - were her greatest joy.

Jean is survived by her loving husband of 63 years, Joseph Cerulli; her five children and their spouses, Ann Marie

and Steven Mills, Ralph and Karyn Cerulli, Angela and Kenneth Martin, Carolyn and Michael Fortin, and John and Amy Cerulli; nine grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; her sister, Josephine Delvento; her sister-in-law, Joan Iannone; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family would like to thank St. Luke's Hospital PCU and Palliative teams for their outstanding care and compassion.

Private services honoring Jean were held by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



On Monday, September 5, 2022, **Frederico R. Medina, Jr.**, of Marion, Massachusetts passed away peacefully at the age of 91. He was pre-deceased by his wife of many years, Leola N. Medina and is survived by four children and five grandchildren.

Fred was born in Boston, Massachusetts to Reverend Frederico, Sr. and Emma (Correia) Medina. He had one sister, Zoe Medina Jordan, who pre-deceased him. He attended Wareham, Massachusetts public schools and graduated from Wareham High School in 1949. Fred worked his way through college and in 1953 graduated from Boston University with a BA degree in Biology. He dreamed of becoming a doctor, but was unable to afford the expense of medical school. Instead, he devoted his life to the education of others.

After college graduation, Fred served two years in the Army during the Korean War and was stationed in Germany. He received two medals of distinction. Following his Army service, Fred returned to Wareham and became a biology teacher at Wareham High School where he was beloved by many students and colleagues. He married his high school sweetheart, Leola Nadeau, on December 22, 1956. Focused on his career in education and passionate about teaching, he received two Masters degrees: a Masters in Education from Bridgewater State Teachers College in 1958 and a Masters in Science from Syracuse University in 1961 (after receiving a National Science Foundation fellowship). After many years of teaching students, Fred became an Assistant Principal at the Wareham Intermediate School. He later became the Principal of the Intermediate School for many years until his retirement.

Fred and Leola raised three sons Frederico III, Darryl, and Karl, and a daughter, Shari. In 1965, they built their dream home in Marion, Massachusetts, where they spent many years enjoying life by the sea and traveling to Canada, California, Hawaii, Florida and many other locations. Fred enjoyed digging for clams and quahogs, and clam boils were frequent family events. Fred was also passionate about sports and music. He was a lifelong fan of the Boston Celtics and Red Sox, and once the Patriots entered the scene, he became a fan of them also. After retirement, Fred was an active member

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of the New Bedford Chapter of the Harpoon Harmonizers and sang and traveled with them to many locations. He also served as the Chorus Manager and Treasurer.

Fred volunteered his time tirelessly to many charitable organizations. In his younger years, he enjoyed working for the Massachusetts Council of Churches as a teacher and social worker to Puerto Rican migrant farm workers in southeastern Massachusetts. During summers, Fred and his father would travel to various locations to serve these workers. He also served on the Board of Trustees of Tobey Hospital and was a member of the First Congregational Church of Marion.

Fred cherished his family most of all and enjoyed many birthdays, holidays, and graduations. He was so proud of all his children and grandchildren. He adored his grandchildren and always wanted to know about their adventures and pursuits. He was so selfless, loving and caring. He never looked for praises and just went on quietly working for those he loved.

He is survived by his four children, Frederico Medina III and his wife, Marina, Darryl Medina and his wife Sara Dickson, Shari Jankowski and her husband, James, and Karl Medina, as well as five grandchildren who called him "Papa"; Andrew Jankowski and his wife, Alyssa, Caroline Jankowski, Kendra Medina, Allison Medina, and Max Medina, nieces, nephews, relatives, and many friends.

"All shall remember the things you have taught them and how much you loved us."

"People only pass away when they are forgotten. You will always be remembered and missed."

"The world changes from year to year, our lives from day to day, but the love and memory of you, shall never pass away."

His calling hours will be held on Wednesday September 21, 2022 from 4-7 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd, Route 6, Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the South Coast Visiting Nurse Association, 200 Mill Road, Fairhaven, MA 02719. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com



Susan Delia (LeBlanc) Bindas, 73, passed away Wednesday, September 7, 2022 in St. Luke's Hospital after a period of declining health. She was the wife of the late Larry Edward Bindas.

Born in Acushnet, a daughter of the late Wilfred J. and Irene (Colomb) LeBlanc, she was a longtime resident of Rochester. Susan was a devoted wife and mother, who loved her children and grandchildren dearly. She enjoyed spending time with her beloved dogs; she enjoyed traveling, playing Bingo and trips to the casino.

She is survived by her sons, Scott Bindas and his

wife Tabitha of Rochester and Dale Bindas and his wife Kimberley of Rochester; her grandchildren, Brittaney, Alexandria, Brianne, Katelyn, Brooklyn and Landon; her niece Rebekah Faria and nephew Sean Beaudoin.

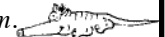
Her visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm in the Rock Funeral Home, 1285 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford, MA 02745. Relatives and friends are invited. Burial is Private. To leave a note of condolence: www.rock-funeralhome.com



Norma Irene (Harrison) Charbonneau left this world on September 10th after a long battle with Alzheimer's. She was born in 1930 in Acushnet, MA, to the late Irene (Caya Harrison) Dube and Norman Harrison, and was the eldest and only girl in a family of six children. She was the widow of Normand M. Charbonneau who was

deceased in 1967. Norma lived and raised her family in Mattapoisett, MA where she worked for years as one of the beloved lunch ladies at ORRHS. In 1983, she moved to Western Mass with her partner of many years, the late Barbara Bumpus, where they resided for decades and owned and operated the popular Box Car Restaurant in Erving, an historic former train station that was the hub of the community. Norma was a heroic single mother of seven, and leaves behind her sons and their families: Michael of Memphis, TN., Stephen of St. Petersburg, FL; the late Thomas of New Bedford; the late Kenneth of Fairhaven; her daughters and their families: Jane N. Cain of Yarmouth Port; Karen C. Zukas of New Bedford; and Nancy C. Case of Northampton, MA. She also leaves behind her brothers Norman and James, the late Robert, Gilbert, and Richard and their families; 11 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, and over 50 nieces and nephews. She was a recent resident at Our Lady's Haven in Fairhaven. Norma was a life-long learner, a hard worker, avid world traveler, and a beloved spirit of energy, positivity and good deeds. She loved music, reading "histories and mysteries," puzzles, gardening, the Red Sox, and watching Jeopardy. She was beloved by many in her communities, both in Western Mass and back home, and was a true inspiration to all who knew her. A wake will be held on Thursday, Sept. 15 at the Southcoast Chapel Mortuary, 158 Middleboro Road, (RT.18), in E. Freetown from 4 to 8 pm. A graveside service will be on Friday, Sept. 16 at 12:00 noon at St. Anthony's Cemetery, North Street, in Mattapoisett. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org. Flowers are also welcome.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.



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Thursday September 15, 2022

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM You and Your Health
9:00 AM A Conversation With...
9:30 AM Arts Alive
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Classroom Chronicle: Sports Edition
11:00 AM Lucy's World of Painting
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Rob Surette SunnySpeak Interview
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Wick Simmons
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - Historical Reenactment
4:40 PM OnStage 2022 Recital
5:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Alzheimer's Risks with Jennifer Hoadley
7:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
7:30 PM This is America & The World
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Registers Report
9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church
10:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday September 16, 2022

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Cape Conversations
11:30 AM A Conversation With...
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience

2:30 PM Off the Shelf
3:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
3:30 PM This is America and the World
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
5:00 PM Housing Rights with MA Attorney General's Office
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - Historical Reenactment
7:50 PM Marion 4th of July Parade
8:15 PM Mattapoissett 4th of July Road Race
8:30 PM In the Toy Box
9:00 PM The Non-Profit World
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday September 17, 2022

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:00 AM Health Source
9:30 AM Recovery Recreation TV
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM A Conversation With...
11:00 AM Wellness Wednesday
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Mid-day Movie
12:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters
2:00 PM Sippican Speaker Series - Women and Gardens
3:30 PM Tri-Town TV
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
4:30 PM OnStage 2022 Recital
5:30 PM For Art's Sake
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Concerts in the Park
8:00 PM City Hall Insider
8:30 PM Money Matters TV
9:00 PM Registers Report
9:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
10:00 PM Let's Talk Business
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday September 18, 2022

6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
8:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church

9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM Armchair QB
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Wick Simmons
2:30 PM Concerts in the Park
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
5:00 PM The World Fusion Show
5:30 PM In the Toy Box
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM OnStage Recital 2022
7:30 PM This is America & The World
8:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
8:30 PM Pete on the Street
9:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism Community Conversation
10:30 PM A Conversation With...
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Monday September 19, 2022

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM You and Your Health
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:00 AM A Conversation With...
10:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:00 PM The Collective Chat
3:30 PM Marion 4th of July Parade
3:50 PM Mattapoissett 4th of July Road Race
4:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism Community Conversation
5:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
7:00 PM The Friends of Jack Foundation
7:30 PM Beyond My Crisis
8:00 PM Pete on the Street

8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
9:30 PM Building the Future
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday September 20, 2022

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
9:30 AM The Collective Chat
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Arts Alive
11:30 AM Cape Conversations
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM The Non-Profit World
2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:30 PM Sippican Speaker Series - Women and Gardens
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:30 PM Building the Future
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Marconi Building
5:30 PM Off the Shelf
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM Money After Military - Finding a Job
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday September 21, 2022

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM You and Your Health
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Conversations in Mental Health
11:00 AM Mattapoissett

Congregational Church
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Wellness Wednesdays
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - Petroglyphs
5:30 PM Building the Future
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM Let's Talk Business
7:30 PM Registers Report
8:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - We are all Whalers
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

MARION

GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 39 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen
8:00 AM Marion Planning Board
8:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission
10:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
11:30 AM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee
12:30 PM Marion Affordable Housing
12:45 PM Marion Finance Committee
2:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing
1:00 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission
3:00 PM Marion School Committee
5:00 PM Marion Board of Health
5:30 PM ORR School Committee
7:00 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
8:00 PM Marion Board of Health
10:30 PM Marion Planning Board
11:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission
11:30 PM Marion Board of Health

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

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7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen
8:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission
9:30 AM Rochester Planning Board
11:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
12:00 PM Rochester School Committee
2:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee
3:00 PM ORR School Committee
4:30 PM Rochester Affordable Housing
6:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen
7:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission
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10:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
11:00 PM Rochester School Committee

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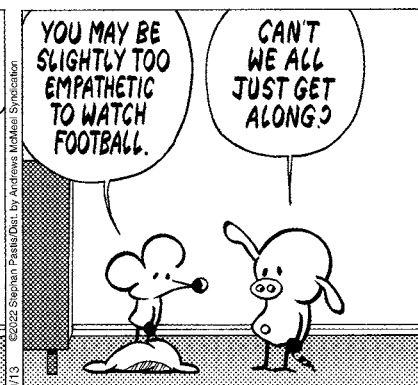
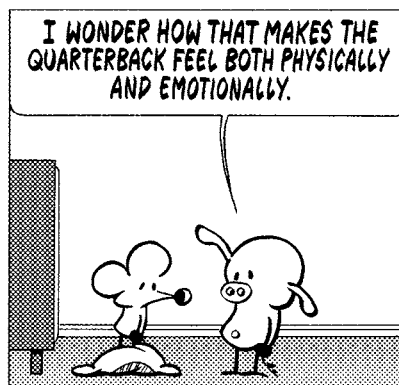
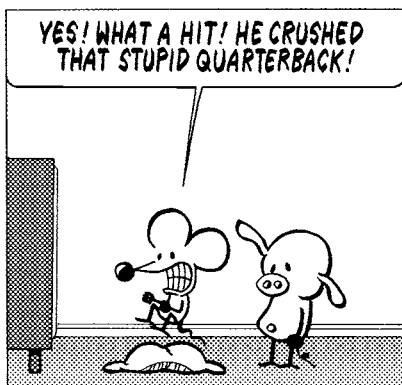
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM RMS Graduation
9:00 AM RMS K-Info Session
10:00 AM Old Hamondtown School Spring Concert
11:00 AM ORRHJS Spring Concert
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM ORR Theatre Class - Scooby Doo
1:30 PM Old Colony Graduation
2:30 PM ORR Softball vs Apponequet
3:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs Wareham
5:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame - Women in Sports
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:30 PM Old Colony Drama
8:00 PM ORR Girls Soccer Senior Night vs Voc.
10:30 PM ORRHJS Senior Awards Night

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



Davidson reported that over 200 students participated in ORR's SAIL summer learning program, for which he publicly thanked coordinators Charlie West and Kyle Letendre. A summer enrichment program that piggybacked on the SAIL program with afternoon opportunities was attended by 100 other students.

High school students played a key role in the success of the program, especially as the younger participants sought out the high schoolers as role models and leaders. "The most rewarding part of this program," said Davidson, was that it brought the community together. "We didn't want summer to end so we applied for another grant and ran a second Acceleration Academy," he added. The Acceleration Academy focused on literacy for younger students up through Grade 4.

In all, ORR's summer of 2022 saw seven weeks of programming facilitated by 136 staff members, 115 of which are current educators in the Tri-Towns or high school students. "Some actually joined us after the summer so it was truly a rewarding summer," said Davidson.

The committee's Open Comment session near the end of the public meeting yielded two impassioned remarks, one from within the committee and one from without.

Committee member Jim Muse reported that this summer, after a decade of advocacy at the state house, Massachusetts higher education laws were amended to

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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



The air was filled with traditional sea chantey tunes on Saturday when the Mattapoissett Museum hosted a free outdoor concert featuring the New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus. More than 75 people enjoyed the concert that included free cookies courtesy of the Mattapoissett Council on Aging. Photos by Marilou Newell



Administrative coordinator Jessica Fraine and Mattapoissett resident and Council on Aging volunteer Paula Coffey take a quick break from food service, as many staff and volunteers helped the Mattapoissett COA celebrate its 50th anniversary on Saturday outside Center School. Photos by Marilou Newell and Mick Colageo



The Mattapoissett Congregational Church held a yard sale in and outside the church building on Saturday. Photos by Mick Colageo



Saint Gabriel's Parish "Kickoff Sunday" was held on September 11 at Silvershell Beach. Parishioners, as well as many new visitors were in attendance. After the service under the tent, we ate lunch together and the children had fun fishing. Saint Gabriel's has started its new program year with many adult and youth formation offerings. All are welcome to discover God alongside this faithful community of people each Sunday for worship at 8:00 am or 10:00 am or Wednesdays at 12:00 pm or 6:00 pm. The Parish is a progressive Christian denomination and proudly welcomes all within the LGBTQ+ community and beyond. For more information, email stgabrielmarion@gmail.com or call 508-748-1507. Photo courtesy of Tanya Ambrosi

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open up state colleges and universities to students with intellectual disabilities or autism.

Before the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI) grant program, explained Muse, unless someone was in a grant program, a student between ages 18 and 22 with an intellectual disability or autism who did not pass MCAS testing and did not receive a high school diploma was prohibited from even auditing in the state educational system.

The change in the law has been codified and barriers removed. As a result, students with disabilities will be able to participate as nonmatriculating students and participate in extracurricular aspects of campus life.

"I can't tell you what a big deal this is," said Muse, who said that for the first time in the state and "hopefully" as a trend-setting law that could expand across the country, "individuals with disabilities and autism will be able to be life-long learners. This is something that can definitely be on their horizon. ... This is a great event for education as a whole."

The second comment came from Tom Kearns, 8 Fairview Drive, who told the committee he was looking for a town with antiracial, antibullying policies when he moved his family to Mattapoisett.

"We believe everyone has a right to exist in a nontoxic atmosphere," said Kearns.

Despite the ORR administration's antiracism policy, resolution and subcommittee, life for students

is not without reminders of the past. Kearns told the committee that last school year his daughter ran into some bullying problems, and only three days into the new school year, his son was targeted by racial slurs.

"I just think we have to do better as a community. Racism is alive and well, so instead of playing whack-a-mole on a case-by-case basis, we need (stricter policies that take the judgment out of the hands of teachers,)" said Kearns, stressing that the vast majority of students conduct themselves as if they have excellent role models. The outliers, he suggests, learn racism. "They're not born to be racists, they're taught this. There has to be a clear set of rules.

"I lost a daughter to this a few years back so I have a personal vested interest. If X, Y and Z happen, your parents are going to get involved."

Kearns suggested that bus monitors be positioned midway down the aisle of the seating area, the end game being zero tolerance for racist behavior under the watch of the school system. Kearns readily admits the efforts can only be effective where the message has teeth. "It's just in this school system, it shouldn't be allowed," he said. "It's a small population ... doing this. The educators are great; this should not be put on them."

The committee voted to approve changes made in the Student Handbook that serves both Center and Old Hammondtown elementary schools. Changes are accessible on the district and schools' websites, but

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The Monday Morning Painters group, which meets weekly at 9:00 am at the Rochester Senior Center, is displaying its works at the Cushing Community Center on Route 6 in Marion. The painters enjoy a supportive environment, where sharing and learning techniques and the latest in visual art expression are the keystones they embrace. Photos by Marilou Newell



Sixth-grader Hal Field, 11, is covered in suds, and four-year-old Bailey Simmons (sister of participating sixth-grader Christian) directs traffic during Saturday's car wash held at Sippican Elementary School to raise money for Grade 6 extracurricular activities. Photos by Mick Colageo

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Old Hammondtown Principal Kevin Tavares said he would make sure parents seeking a copy of the Student Handbook could get one.

The committee voted unanimously to approve three donations from the Mattapoisett Parent-Teachers Association and the plan for a student run to support improvements in athletic facilities on school grounds.

The PTA donated \$1,745.63 to replace the unsafe surface under the swings at Old Hammondtown, \$1,137.21 fix a loose and rusty staircase and \$3,000 for new backboards and rims and new paint for the basket supports at the basketball court.

The PTA is also hosting an October 18 Fun Run fundraiser event to be simultaneously held for K-6 runners at both Center and Old Hammondtown. Funds raised will pay for playground safety improvements, help defray the cost of field trips and provide programs for enrichment.

New staff was recognized, including new Center School Principal Linda Ashley, along with three teachers, Jillian Lakey (halftime reading), Allison Dunn (halftime Remedial Math) and Grade 5 teacher Jocelyn Mare. They will help replace Principal Rose Bowman, halftime-reading teacher Diane Lizotte, halftime math teacher Patricia Cooney, reading teacher Holly Maloof and Paraprofessional Teresa Camara. Two teachers transferred: Carolyn Pawlishen from Grade 4 teacher to reading teacher and Kristen Sunde from Grade 5 to Grade 4.

Pre-school screening will be held on Oct 25 for district-wide families at Rochester Memorial School.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett School Committee is scheduled for Monday, November 14, and the next meeting of the Joint School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, September 29. Both meetings are to begin at 6:30 pm.

Academic Achievements

Daniela Gil Veras of Marion, **Allison Paim** of Marion, **Felicia Aguiar** of Mattapoisett, **Lilah Gendreau** of Mattapoisett, **Maya Dube** of Mattapoisett and **Chelsea Peterson** of Rochester were named to the 2022 spring semester Dean's List at Simmons University in Boston. To qualify for Dean's List status, undergraduate students must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher based on 12 or more credit hours of work in classes using the letter grade system.

Lilian Frank of Mattapoisett has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's summer 2022 President's List. The summer terms run from May to August.

Rochester Flu Clinic

The Town of Rochester and the Board of Health will be hosting the following flu clinics:
Tuesday, **October 4** from 3:30-5:30 at Rochester Memorial

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Elementary School. This clinic will have state-supplied flu vaccines for children and those without health insurance. The standard dose will also be available for those ages 19-64 with insurance. You may register in advance by calling the Rochester Board of Health at 508-763-5421 x1. Remaining vaccines will be available for walk-ins during the last 45 minutes of the clinic.

Wednesday, **October 5** from 9:00-12:00 at the Rochester Senior Center. This clinic will have the High Dose vaccine for those 65 and older and the standard dose for adults 19-64. This is an adult-only clinic. You may register in advance by calling the Rochester Board of Health at 508-763-5421 x1. Remaining vaccines will be available for walk-ins during the last 45 minutes of the

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Bad Manners

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***Speak No Evil*. Starring Morten Burian and Sidsel Siem Koch. Directed by Christian Tafdrup. Running time: 98 minutes. No MPAA rating. Streaming on Shudder starting September 15.**

The Americanized title *Speak No Evil* only really makes sense after you've watched the film; the original Danish title is *Gæsterne*, or *Guests*, which has some of the same deadpan wit as the movie itself. Either way it's a creepy and needling thriller that takes the premise of something like 1981's *Neighbors* — these people seem hostile and strange, but we must maintain our politesse — right up to the edge of horror and then pushes it over. Directed by Christian Tafdrup, who has a reputation for social commentary, *Speak No Evil* would fall apart if its protagonists were crass and unconcerned with hurting others' feelings or with being seen as insensitive. It's the movie's observation of mores and behavior that makes it so unsettling and, in the end, such a sharp knock in the chops.

It may go without saying that the lead couple, Bjørn (Morten Burian) and Louise (Sidsel Siem Koch), are upper-middle-class; they can afford a vacation in Tuscany, and only a little while later they can afford to travel to visit a Dutch couple they met in Tuscany. The Dutch couple, Patrick (Fedja van Huêt) and Karin (Karina Smulders), seem warm and welcoming at first. But almost right away, they start transgressing good manners. Louise has said she's a vegetarian, yet Patrick practically forces her to nibble a piece of beef he's just cooked. There are other weirdnesses, and when we look back on the script, by Tafdrup and his brother Mads, we may realize just how tight it is, how many details are there right from the start. If Bjørn had been less laid-back about Patrick taking the pool chair, the movie would probably end there.

It doesn't, and after a while we may also



realize that Bjørn is an ideal mark, if that's what he is. He isn't just polite; he finds himself drawn to what he perceives as Patrick's wilder existence. How right Bjørn's instincts turn out to be is one of the dark jokes of the movie, which unfolds with an elegant malevolence, heightened now and then by ominous rumbles and stabs of Sune Kølster's score. (The way the music sometimes surges up, seemingly apropos of nothing at all onscreen, is yet another way Tafdrup keeps us disoriented.) At a certain point, we may think Bjørn and Louise — and their little daughter Agnes — are in the clear, but their hosts lure them back in. Back into *what*, though? Are Patrick and Karin not just eager hosts, if a little unconventional? Are we not betraying some class prejudice towards them (their house is nice if a little small and cluttered) as well as some ableist bigotry because they have a little son, Abel, who was born without most of his tongue?

Well, it's that sort of thinking that Christian Tafdrup wants to incinerate, or at least to throw back in our faces. Like many effective horror-thrillers, *Speak No Evil* is not remotely nice — in its universe, giving people the benefit of the doubt leads nowhere good. The acting is natural and pulls you along on a leash of credibility. Van Huêt and Smulders are particularly adept at making Patrick and Karin seem misunderstood; their customs are just a little different, that's all. Right? They're so nice, and they'd be so sad to see you go; why would you want to hurt them by leaving? Nobody wants to say no, nobody wants to look like a jerk. They would rather die a slow, brutal death than be seen as stuck-up and rude.

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Fall Free Family Fun Festival

Join us for the 6th Fall Free Family Fun Festival (FFFFF) at Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett on Saturday, **October 22** from noon to 4:00 pm. The event is free, no registration required. Hayrides (two tractors this year), face painting, games, refreshments (while supplies last), music, coloring station, goody bags (while supplies last), pumpkin patch (while supplies last) and more. Rain date: Saturday, **October 29**, Noon to 4:00 at Shipyard Park.

For more information, visit @mattapoisettlionsclub on Facebook or visit our web page at: www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Fall Meeting

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club will hold its first Fall meeting on Thursday, **September 15** at 11:00 am at Reynaud Hall, Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church Street, Mattapoisett.

This will be a welcome back gathering for members new and old as well as guests and interested women. If you are not a member and would like to find out about the club, this is an opportune time to meet members and find out who the club is, about the work it does and what its program calendar is for the upcoming year.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club welcomes all women from the Greater Mattapoisett area. To inquire about membership, visit: info@mattapoisettwomensclub.org where a member of the club will quickly reply to your inquiry.

Rochester Historical Society

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Mattapoisett Friends Yard Sale

In preparation for their **October 8** yard sale, The Mattapoisett Friends Meeting has set up donation collection times. The Friends are accepting clean, saleable items on Wednesday, **September 28** between 10:00 and 12:00 and Saturday, **October 1** between 10:00 and 12:00. Please no clothing, books (except collectables) or



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MARION

Log highlights Sept 4-Sept 10

- Delano Rd – Suspicious MV
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Cottage St – Assist other PD
- Front St – MV collision
- Park St – Animal control
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Sarah Sherman Ln – Noise complaint
- Oakdale Ave – Noise complaint
- I195 West – MV collision
- South Dr – Larceny/past
- Crapo St – Officer wanted
- Mill St - Transport
- East Ave – EMS/medical
- Water St – Animal complaint
- Zora Rd – Follow up investigation
- Front St – EMS/medical
- Zora Rd – Animal control
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Converse Rd - MV collision
- Lady Slipper Ln – EMS/medical
- Parkway Ln – Structure fire
- Parkway Ln – Transport/arrest
- West River Rd – Suspicious activity
- Water St – Parking enforcement
- West Ave – Follow up investigation
- Cove's End Rd - Fraud
- Point Rd – Suspicious activity
- Spring St – Officer wanted
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Sept 4-Sept 10

- Marion Rd – Suspicious persons
- Mechanic St – General service
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Channing Rd – MV/lockout
- County Rd – Property lost
- County Rd – 911 call
- Prince Snow Cir – 911 call
- Reservation Rd – Follow up
- Baptist St - Notification
- Cannon St – MV crash
- Pine Island Rd – Medical assist
- Mechanic St – Follow up
- North St – MV violations
- Cedar St – 911 call
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd – Health/welfare
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Barstow St – 911 call
- Angelica Ave – Medical assist
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Barstow St – Parking violation
- County Rd – Stolen property
- Tinkham Ln – Animal control
- Industrial Dr – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- North St – Warrant of apprehension
- Acushnet Rd – Medical assist
- Centre Dr - Disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Creek St - Complaint

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Sept 4-Sept 10

- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Main St – MV stop/arrest
- Bishop Rd – Message delivery
- Rounseville Rd – MV stop/citation
- Neck Rd – Noise complaint
- High St – Noise complaint
- Hartley Rd – Animal complaint
- Williams Way – 911 call
- High St – Noise complaint
- Stevens Rd – MV theft
- Rounseville Rd – Suspicious activity
- Hathaway Pond Cir – 911 call
- Clapp Rd - Investigation
- County Rd – MV collision
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/arrest
- Sarabeth Ln – Public assist
- Robinson Rd – Assist other agency
- Dexter Ln – General service/arrest
- Clapp Rd – Suspicious activity
- Cushman Rd – Animal control
- Springwood Dr – Animal control
- Sarabeth Ln – Firearms licensing
- County Rd - Larceny
- Mendell Rd – General services
- Braley Hill Rd – MV stop/citation
- Marion Rd – MV stop/citation
- King St - Medical
- Benjamin Dr – Medical alarm
- County Rd – Erratic MV

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Sept 19: Turkey a la king w/pasta, broccoli/cauliflower, dinner roll, applesauce

Tuesday, Sept 20: Kale soup, Portuguese chicken, arroz de tomate, whole wheat roll, mixed fruit

Wednesday, Sept 21: Roast pork, apple gravy, red bliss potatoes, brussels sprouts, multigrain bread, chocolate pudding, diet: low-sugar pudding

Thursday, Sept 22: Meatloaf w/ mushroom gravy, egg noodles, country vegetables, oatmeal bread, Mandarin oranges

Friday, Sept 23: Hot dog, baked beans, cabbage & carrots, mustard, hot ORRS dog roll, pears

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Sept 19: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans, creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Sept 20: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll

Wednesday, Sept 21: Warm egg

& cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, orange smiles

Thursday, Sept 22: Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce cups

Friday, Sept 23: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Sept 19: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans, creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Sept 20: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll

Wednesday, Sept 21: Warm egg & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, orange smiles

Thursday, Sept 22: Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce cups

Friday, Sept 23: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Sept 19: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans,

creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Sept 20: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll

Wednesday, Sept 21: Warm egg & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, orange smiles

Thursday, Sept 22: Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce cups

Friday, Sept 23: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Sept 19: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans, creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Sept 20: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll

Wednesday, Sept 21: Warm egg & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, orange smiles

Thursday, Sept 22: Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce cups

Friday, Sept 23: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad

dressing, roasted chic peas

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Sept 19: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans, creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Sept 20: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll

Wednesday, Sept 21: Warm egg & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, orange smiles

Thursday, Sept 22: Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce cups

Friday, Sept 23: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Sept 19: Tacos, salsa, cheese, lettuce, tomato, corn & black beans in a taco shell or over rice

Tuesday, Sept 20: Chicken nuggets, fries & bread

Wednesday, Sept 21: Chicken parmesan & spaghetti

Thursday, Sept 22: Hot do & fries
Friday, Sept 23: Assorted pizza

electronics (TVs, computers or anything that requires special disposal.) They are not accepting large furniture items, but small, easily transportable pieces would be appreciated. Please donate items only at these times or by arrangement through mattquakers@gmail.com. The collection as well as the sale will be behind the meeting house at 103 Marion Road in Mattapoisett. Vendors are welcomed to join.

Young Adult Programs at the Mattapoisett Library

Fall brings teens, old favorites and new experiences at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

Craft Tuesdays return weekly on Tuesday, **September 20** at 3 pm where we will be creating Popsicle stick pencils. The following week, we will be celebrating Climate Preparedness week by creating Temperature Map Bookmarks. No registration required and recommended for ages 10 and up.

On Saturday, **September 24** at 2 pm, join us for the rescheduled Upcycled Wind Chimes event. We will be creating wind chimes out of everyday objects you can find around your home. No registration required. Recommended for ages 12 and up. Due to the use of small pieces and tools, this program is not recommended for small children.

On Tuesday, **September 27** at 6:30 pm, I'MIN. will be sharing their Top 10 Family Tips for Surviving the



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7 Gripping tool
11 Arid expanse in Mongolia
15 Move like a grasshopper
19 "Not Afraid" rapper
20 Affirmation of self-ability
21 De-wrinkle
22 Giant fair
23 Stocks and shares [1st]
25 Stand-up comedian Richard
26 Super serves
27 Low digit
28 Play starter
29 American robin's close relative [5th]
31 Figure on a kid's toy battleground [10th]
35 Revolutionary War mercenaries
36 Wed. follows it
37 Yellow-disked flower
39 Zine
40 Canon camera line
43 Rapping noise

- 47 She sang "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue" [15th]
51 Online selling
52 Driver's license, SSN, etc.
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56 Living space
57 1988-91 war drama series [20th]
60 Earth's heater
61 Bluegrass fiddler Alison
62 Longtime ISP option
63 Laundry receptacle
65 &&&&
66 "Hey, over here ..."
68 Tree of eastern North America [25th]
72 Lid fastener
76 Infamous Idi
78 Very small minority
80 Mineral spring
81 Taxi driver
84 Angry

- 87 Small, pungent pickling vegetable [30th]
89 Player's top effort, informally
90 Literary leaf
92 Part of IPA
93 Slow a car down
94 Dorothy's magical shoes [40th]
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105 Daughter of JFK
109 Half-million-selling album [50th]
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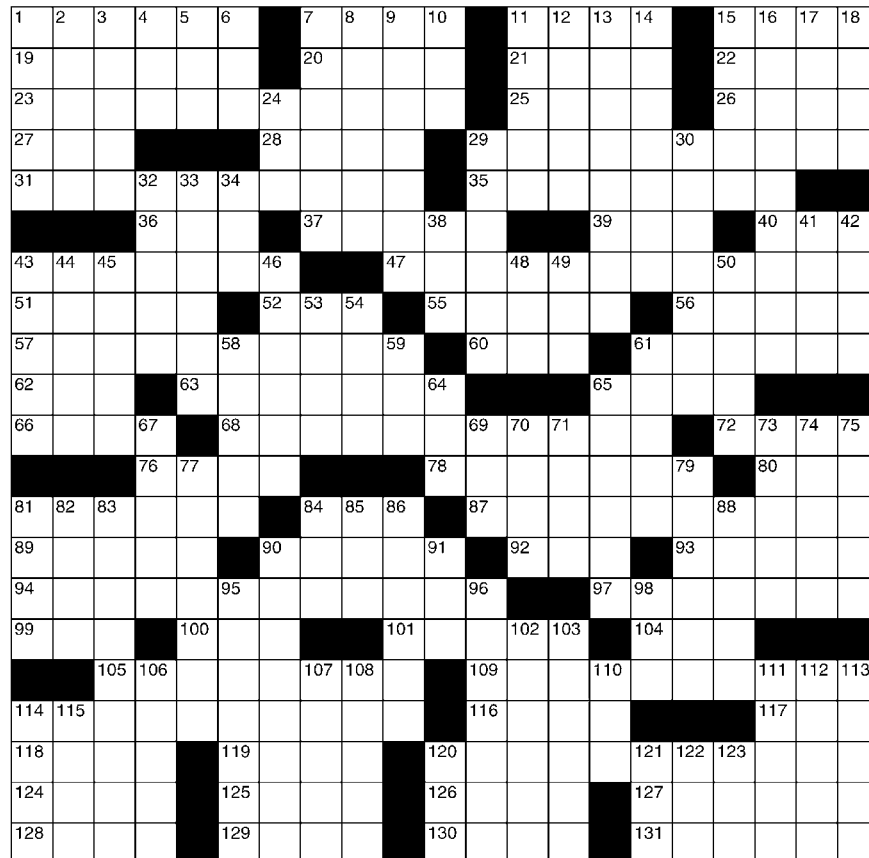
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5 Sea, to Henri
6 "— big boy now"
7 Glutinous
8 Cold drink, informally
9 Like biting writing
10 U.S. Navy off.
11 Toy for a boy, traditionally
12 Longtime cookies
13 Bail provider
14 Part of IPO
15 Find out
16 "How rude!"
17 Gorillas, e.g.
18 Opulent
24 Tearful
29 "As a matter of fact, I do!"
30 Hollow-eyed
32 Sully
33 Ban

- 34 Grazing area
38 Near-grads: Abbr.
41 Part of 122-Down
42 Beholds
43 Quick review
44 Eldest
45 Kite features
46 Has a link (with)
48 Actor Erwin
49 Whole lot
50 Disconcert
53 Author Roald
54 1976-81 skit series
58 Sink bowl
59 Color shade
61 Get down to propose
64 "It's freezing!"
65 Filmmaker Hitchcock
67 Singer Wynette
69 See 70-Down
70 With 69-Down, tourist's printed guide
71 Ring, as bells
73 Nepali, e.g.
74 Said words
75 Sectioned, as a window
77 Conductor
79 Teeter
81 Be a kvetch

- 82 Juan's water
83 Sweetums
84 Swabby's tool
85 High mount
86 Semi fuel
88 College org. for sailors-to-be
90 Occasion for unrestricted amusement
91 Tolkien terror
95 More silly
96 Eastern Michigan city
98 Corn serving
102 "Top o' the — to ya!"
103 Prairies, e.g.
106 Accrue
107 "Victory is yours"
108 Brother on "Frasier"
110 Actor Patel of "Lion"
111 No longer a minor
112 Countryish
113 In a deadpan manner
114 Smear on, as paint
115 Crazy about
120 Past
121 PC key abbr.
122 Speed Wagon maker
123 Gopher Sneed



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) As eager as you are to take on that new challenge, it would be best to temper that spurt of "Ram"-bunctious energy until you have more facts to back up your decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This is a good time for hardworking Bovines to take a break from their hectic on-the-job schedules to bask in the unconditional love and support of friends and family.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Pay attention to what you hear in the workplace. You could pick up some hints about possible changes. Meanwhile, a new infusion of creative energy sets in by week's end.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Try to be more flexible in dealing with a suddenly difficult situation, whether it's on the job or at home. Others might have some good points to offer. Listen to them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might think you're not getting the royal treatment you deserve. But, be careful not to become a royal pain by complaining about it. Be patient and allow things to work out.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Watch that penchant for being super judgmental at work. It might create a bad impression with someone whose decisions could determine the course of your career.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You've been your usual busy-bee self, gathering nectar wherever you can find it. But now's a good time to kick back, relax and just enjoy smelling the roses.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That pesky personal situation seems to be improving. But, change comes slowly, so be patient. Expect someone to bring more positive news by week's end.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Whoa! Ease up on that hectic pace you've been putting yourself through. Take time to recharge your energy levels before going at a full gallop again.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Try to be intrigued, not intimidated, by the issues you're suddenly facing, and you'll be ahead of the game. Don't be afraid to demand answers to your questions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Are new associates freezing you out of their inner circle? Never mind. Put a warm smile on that friendly face of yours, and you'll soon thaw them all down to size.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your wise guidance helps colleagues agree to compromise and move forward. Meanwhile, there are still vital issues you need to deal with in your personal life.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy being free with your emotions, but you can exercise disciplined focus as well. You would make a fine artist.

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Coming this October, the return of Dungeons and Dragons. A new adventure begins, and we would love you to be part of it. The first session is on Saturday, **October 1** at 1 pm. New players are always welcome. Recommended for ages 12 and up. Registration required.



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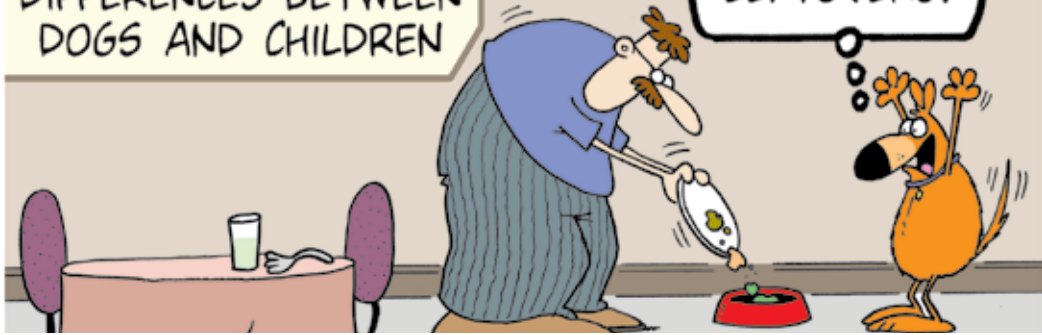
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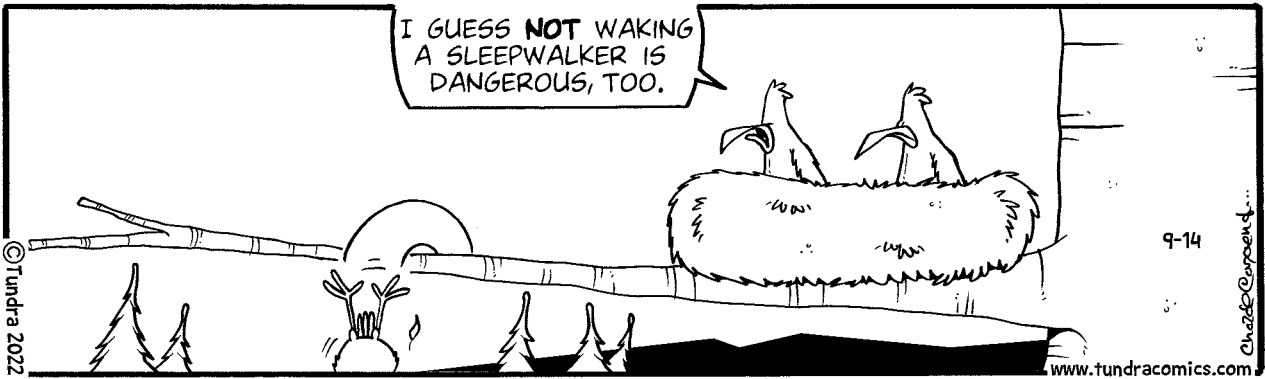
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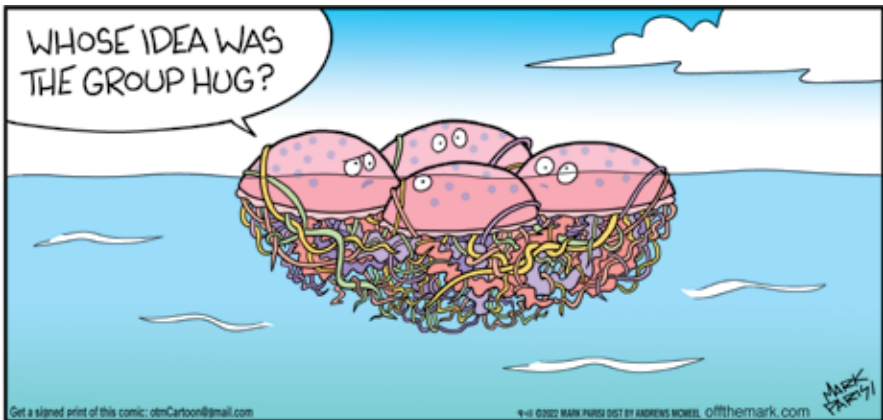


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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

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JIM, COME HERE AND SEE WHAT YOUR SON'S DONE!



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If you have any questions about any of the events, please contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org or 508-758-4171.

South Coast Children's Chorus Welcomes New Singers

The South Coast Children's Chorus is welcoming new singers for the upcoming season. A service-oriented group who are as kind as they are musical, SCCC is open to all students from grades 1-12.

The first rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, **September 20**. New singers are accepted during the first three rehearsals. Rehearsals take place on Tuesday nights, 5:30-6:30 pm (Preparatory Chorus) and 5:30-7:00 pm (Advanced Chorus) at Tabor Academy in the Fireman Center for the Performing Arts, 245 Front Street, Marion.

The mission of the South Coast Children's Chorus is to provide a joyful, educational choral experience for young singers, helping them to develop responsibility, confidence, musicianship and a passion for excellence in all they do. The SCCC core values are Service, Culture, Confidence & Community. SCCC performs throughout the South Coast, including at AHA, the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, The Children's Advocacy Network Gala, Big Sing Central, Fenway Park and with the internationally renowned African Children's Choir.

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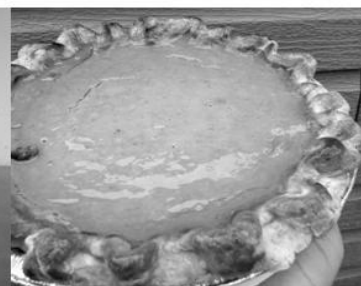


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<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1179</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Alisha Fitzpatrick for property located at 116 Walnut Plain Road, identified on Assessor's Map 11, Lot 6E, who is seeking a Special Permit under Chapter 20.40, Section F.6. for a hobby kennel of 4 dogs or more, to include kennels in the basement, a grooming space, all for personal use only, and breeding dogs. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 7:15 pm as both a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and on Zoom.</p> <p>Copies of the application are on file in the Building Department, 37 Marion Road, and can be viewed during normal business hours Monday through Friday.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86446062185 Meeting ID: 864 4606 2185 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 9/8, 9/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1180</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Patrick Flanagan for property located at 635 Mary's Pond Road, identified on Assessor's Map 16, Lot 18E, who is seeking two Variances for (1) the construction of a 24' x 40' addition to the existing dwelling, closer than 40' to the side lot setback, and (2) for the construction of an accessory structure of approximately 36' x 70', which is larger than the allowed 1,000 square feet, under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1. and Section E.2. of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws.</p> <p>The public hearings will be held on Thursday, September 22, 2022 beginning at 7:15 pm as both a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and on Zoom.</p> <p>Copies of the application are on file in the Building Department, 37 Marion Road, and can be viewed during normal business hours Monday through Friday.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86446062185 Meeting ID: 864 4606 2185 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 9/8, 9/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by The Mattapoisett Land Trust, Inc. PO Box 31, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to install a bench overlooking the marsh at Pine Island Pond. The project is located at 0 Angelica Ave, and is further identified as Lot 1.0-1.0 on Assessor Map 1.0 **Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 9/15</p>	<p>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 7:10 pm (via Zoom*), on a Request for an Amended Order of Conditions, submitted by Kenneth & Darla Parsons, for the proposed reconstruction of a dwelling and garage at 27 Dexter Road.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 54 on Marion Assessors' Map 5A. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Jeff J. Doubrava, Chair *Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV, and participants can call in any questions or comments. 9/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, Section 3-5, the Mattapoisett Tree Warden will hold a public hearing during a Planning Board scheduled meeting, at the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 3, 2022 on the request for a permit authorizing the cutting and removal of a Ash Double Trunk DBH 8"x26x40', Oak Tree DBH 16"x50"x65, two Oak trees DBH 9"x 32"x 60', 2 Ash Double Trunk trees DBH 5"x15"x25', and an Oak Tree 7"x20"x30' located at Randall Road map 23.0 lot 55.H (Publication posted upon the Tree(s) requested to be removed). 9/15, 9/22</p> <hr/> <p>CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS</p> <hr/> <p>Papa's Lawn Care seeks to hire a Landscape Laborer(s) to join our crew and company. 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In scouting, youth are divided into a Pack (kindergarten to grade 5) that meets on Saturdays and a Troop (Grades 6 to age 18) that meets on Tuesday evenings. Both groups meet at our amazing camp in Marion on Mary's Pond, known as Camp Hadley, where scouts have full access to the pond and waterfront adventures as well as all nature has to offer.

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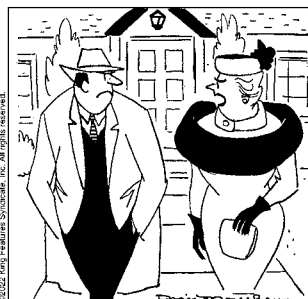
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By Connie Eshbach**

Timothy Ruggles, whose gravesite we visited on our June cemetery tour, was minister of the Rochester Congregational Church beginning in 1710 and continuing for 58 yrs. His father Samuel of Roxbury for quite some time owned proprietary rights in the land of Hardwick in Worcester County. Hardwick, also called the "Elbows," was mostly unsettled when Rev. Ruggles visited the area in 1732. At that time, he began to promote the area for settlement. Just as Rochester had been settled in part by men from Scituate and Sandwich and other area towns, quite a few Rochester families decide to move west, beginning in 1732 and up until the start of the Revolutionary War.

Of Rev. Ruggles' twelve children, six sons emigrated to Hardwick. The most well-known of those six was

Timothy Ruggles Jr., a lawyer in Rochester, who moved to Hardwick in 1753. Having been an officer in the Indian Wars and having served as

a Massachusetts delegate to the Stamp Act Congress in New York, his political loyalties to the English King began to put him out of step with many of his neighbors and countrymen.

He perhaps felt more comfortable in Hardwick, knowing the town was named for an English nobleman. In 1762, he introduced the Hardwick Country Fair. However, independence fever was spreading across the colonies, and his neighbors turned against him. His home was mobbed and eventually burned. He, along with most of New England's Tories moved to Nova Scotia in 1776 when Washington's troops forced the British evacuation of Boston.

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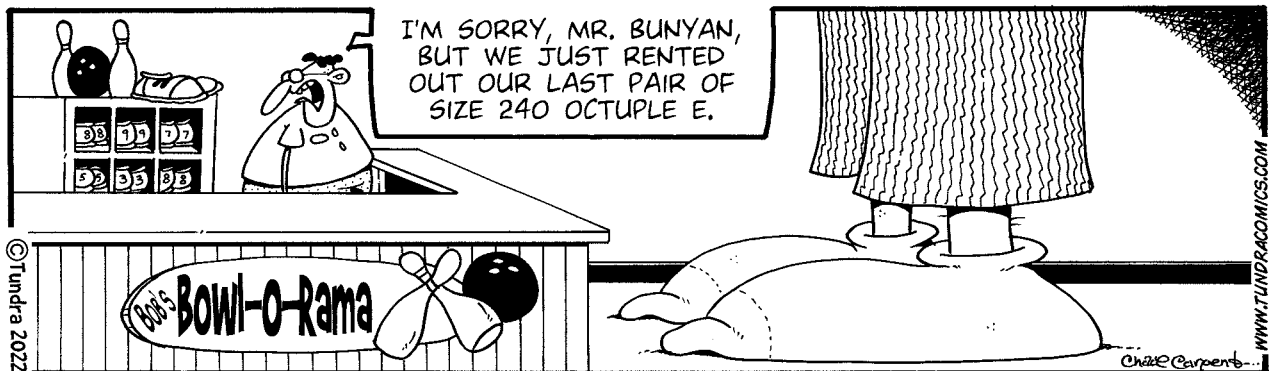
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Today, Hardwick, incorporated in 1739, is home to about 2600 residents. There is a large, white Congregational Church, and there are areas that provide beautiful views of the Quabbin Reservoir. The country fair that Timothy Ruggles, Jr. began is now the oldest continuous country fair in the United States.

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Marcia DuPont	September 15
Nancy Persson	September 15
Tony Vance	September 15
Alexandria Alanna Bacchiocchi	September 16
Ariella Resendes	September 16
Charlie Higgins	September 16
David Wrightington	September 16
Deborah A. Camacho	September 16
Erin Eilertsen	September 16
Jeff Senna	September 16
Joe Borgatti Jr.	September 16
Beverlyn Bessette Silva	September 17
Camdyn Roy	September 17
Elizabeth Hall	September 17
Jack Higgins	September 17
Jake Sattelmair	September 17
Justin Langley	September 17
Tabitha Foulk	September 17
Beth Portas Robert	September 18
Gary J. Reid	September 18
Jonathan Roy	September 18
Nathaniel Pasquarello	September 18
Harold Oliver	September 19
Holyn Anne Turner	September 19
Muriel Alexander	September 19
Bob Lapointe	September 20
Daniel Fealy	September 20
Owen S. Harrington	September 20
Ralph Perry	September 20
Xavier Perez	September 20
Edward Lopes	September 21
Jessie Hodges	September 21
Joanella Deery	September 21
Lilah Mello	September 21
Mike Lake	September 21
Molly Lanagan	September 21
Olivia Mello	September 21
Olivia Wadsworth	September 21



Truck Club, 4-H with small animals, and the Wampanoag Dog Club will showcase dog training from 12-3 pm. There will be displays inside the Grange hall, including information on the churches of Acushnet and crafts for youngsters to make. The Acushnet Fireman's Association will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers and soda which will help support their community activities. Only service dogs are allowed.

Who Feels Like Singing?

Christmas seems a long way off right now, but it's almost time to start rehearsals for the Sippican Choral Society's annual Christmas Concert, and the regional community choir is looking for singers.

Everybody is welcome - the young and not so young, experienced singers and those new to choral music. "If you can sing in the shower, the Sippican Choral Society can teach you everything you need to know for this year's program," says Mike Chaplain, President.

The first rehearsal will be Monday, **September 12**, at 7:30 pm at Wickenden Chapel on the Tabor Academy campus in Marion and then every Monday thereafter until the concert performance on **Sunday, December 4**. "If you're interested, all you have to do is show up," says Chaplain. Doors will open at 7:00 pm, and Chaplain advises everyone to come early to register and pick up their music. Dues are \$40.

"This year's program is going to be a little less 'classical' than usual," continues Chaplain. "Christmas season is many things to many people, but it's an enjoyable time for nearly everyone, so we're focusing on songs that will be fun to perform and also fun for our audience to hear. There will even be songs from familiar Christmas movies. We want everybody to leave the concert with the Christmas spirit."

The COVID-19 pandemic shut down live music all over the world for a couple of years, adds Chaplain, and now it is time to rebuild. "We got rave reviews for our Spring Concert in May this year with a smaller group of about 25 voices. Think of a chorus as a musical instrument. The more voices there are, the more powerful the instrument. A few years ago, we had nearly a hundred singers on the stage for our Christmas concert. We hope to get back up to those numbers. Come join us. Be a part of something great."

To keep everyone healthy and safe, the group rehearses wearing masks while maintaining social distancing. COVID-19 vaccination is recommended but not required.

Sippican Choral Society is a self-supporting volunteer chorus. The organization pays its expenses by selling ads in its concert program, and through gifts and grants, ticket sales, and member dues. For more information, see us at www.sippicanchoralsociety.org.

Rochester Cultural Council

The Rochester Cultural Council (RCC) is now accepting online applications from organizations, schools

and individuals for grants to support community-oriented arts, humanities and science programs. If you have a great idea for bringing culturally enriching programming to the Rochester area and need funding to make it a reality, we can help. The online application window will be open from September 1 - October 17.

The Rochester Cultural Council is composed of a group of volunteers appointed by the Rochester Select Board. Our mission is to promote excellence, access and diversity in the arts, humanities and sciences in order to enhance the quality of life in the Rochester community. The Council strives to achieve these goals through the funding of local programs with grants awarded by the Mass Cultural Council, www.massculturalcouncil.org. Special priority is given to nonprofit applicants from the town of Rochester and to surrounding community projects that would substantially enrich Rochester.

Inspiration may include programs such as school field trips, afterschool programs, concerts, festivals, lectures, theater, dance, music and film. LCC projects may take place in schools, community centers, libraries, elder care facilities, town halls, parks and wherever communities come together.

The RCC is a part of the Local Cultural Council (LCC) Program, which is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, humanities and sciences annually. This program is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency who yearly award local councils more than \$3 million in grants to more than 5,000 cultural programs statewide.

Quick links to tips for grant writing and the application process can be found on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/rochestermaculturalcouncil or bit.ly/RCCtips.

Your RCC is always looking to welcome new members. To find out more about us, feel free to attend one of our open meetings or email us directly at rochesterculturalcouncil@gmail.com. We would love to have you join us.

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A PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

O Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). O Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Amen. Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish; it will be granted to you. B.H.

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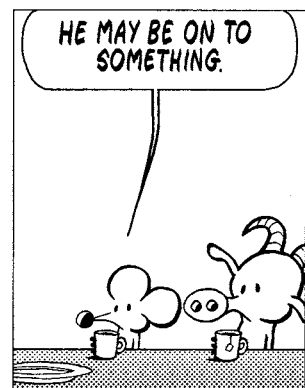
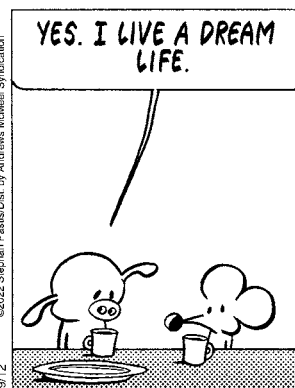
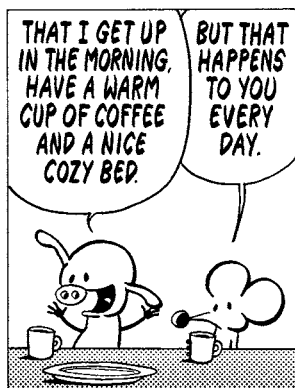
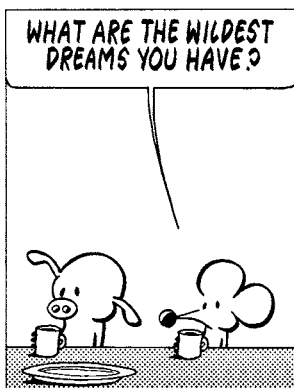
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September 29.

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Here is the link to register: home.color.com/vaccine/register/marion?calendar=9148fa74-e5e5-45dd-9a8a-72d85371871c

If you need assistance registering or have questions, please contact Maureen at the Board of Health at 508-748-3530.

Marion Cultural Council Seeks Funding Proposals

Marion Cultural Council is excited to receive online grant applications for individuals and organizations for art and STEM-related projects that will help to enrich the Marion community beginning in September. Marion Cultural Council has set an **October 17** deadline for organizations, schools, and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities and proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities and science programs in the community. These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in Marion, including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies or performances in schools, workshops and lectures. This year we ask applicants to consider a possible virtual or "back up" option/and or dates for their events if possible. The inability to do this will not hinder your consideration, however may be helpful for your project.

The Marion Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which



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For questions regarding the Marion Cultural Council, contact marionculturalcouncil@gmail.com. Online application forms and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program and a list of the council's priorities are available online at www.mass-culture.org/Marion

Fall Birding Walk

Join the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Nasketucket Bird Club on Saturday **September 17**, 8:00-9:00 am for an early morning birding adventure. This birding walk will be led by Justin Barrett, President of the Nasketucket Bird Club. It will be a lovely, relaxed morning in nature and a wonderful opportunity to learn about local wildlife.

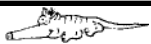
The walk will take place on MLT's Brandt Island Cove trail. Meet at 8:00 am at the MLT trailhead kiosk located on Anchorage Way in Mattapoisett. There is a small dirt parking area and plenty of street parking. Bring your binoculars and dress appropriately for the outdoors, including sturdy footwear. This is a free event open to all. Hope to see you there.

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Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	September 15		12:25	5:08	6:04
Friday	September 16	12:49	1:16	5:48	6:57
Saturday	September 17	1:40	2:08	6:36	8:31
Sunday	September 18	2:33	3:02	7:35	10:06
Monday	September 19	3:29	4:04	8:50	11
Tuesday	September 20	4:30	5:08	10:08	11:41
Wednesday	September 21	5:29	6	11:09	
Thursday	September 22	6:17	6:40	12:16	12:01
Friday	September 23	6:58	7:15	12:48	12:41
Saturday	September 24	7:36	7:50	1:20	1:23
Sunday	September 25	8:12	8:26	1:50	2:04
Monday	September 26	8:49	9:05	2:21	2:45
Tuesday	September 27	9:29	9:46	2:53	3:25
Wednesday	September 28	10:10	10:31	3:26	4:06
Thursday	September 29	10:56	11:21	4:02	4:47
Friday	September 30	11:47		4:42	5:33
Saturday	October 1	12:16	12:44	5:27	6:28
Sunday	October 2	1:15	1:45	6:20	7:53
Phases of the Moon	Last Quarter New Moon First Quarter Full Moon	September 17th September 25th October 2nd October 9th			



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an armadillo. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

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solution

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3	7	1	5	2	9	8	4	6
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